



Connecticut College of Emergency Physicians

Written Testimony

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**HB 5046: An Act Adopting the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact and Psychology**

**Interjurisdictional Compact**

Public Health Committee

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Senator Daugherty Abrams, Representative Steinberg, Senator Hwang, Senator Somers, Representative Petit, and the distinguished member of the Public Health Committee, thank you for taking the time to read my written testimony today. My name is Daniel Freess and I am a practicing emergency physician at Hartford Hospital in Hartford. I am also a Past President of the Connecticut College of Emergency Physicians and a resident of West Hartford.

The Connecticut College of Emergency Physicians is in **strong support** of both the sentiment and language of this bill. By easing the process to obtain a Connecticut medical license once a physician holds a valid out of state medical license, more physicians will be able and encouraged to provide per-diem and even full time services to our residents, particularly at hospitals and clinics in border regions. We are not a large state, which allows many out-of-state physicians to provide services in two or more states. The more that we can attract these physicians to Connecticut, the more services, coverage, and care our population will appreciate.

Thank you again for your time and effort on this endeavor! Should you have any further questions, concerns, or desire to visit the Emergency Department, feel free to get in touch with me at any time. Thank you!

Sincerely,

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